MR. R. SURAPPA (Belur).—

Q.—**29.** Will the Government be pleased to state whether the system of itinerant Special Magistrates introduced as an experimental measure to Shimoga has proved useful and convenient ?

FIRST MEMBER.—

A.—The scheme having been in force for only five months, Government are not in a position to give a definite answer to the question. They have, however, reason to think that it has proved beneficial to the public and is appreciated by the people of the taluk.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. Surappa.—

In view of the above answer, will the Government be pleased to extend the system of itinerant Special Magistrates to other districts also ?

First Member.—

The matter will be considered.

MESSRS. A. V. SURYANARAYANA SETTY AND NAGANNA (Arkalgud).

Q.—**30.** Will the Government be pleased to supply information regarding the extent of damage done during the floods of July 1924 and the extent of help rendered by Government (a detailed statement may kindly be furnished).

REVENUE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—The extent of damages caused by the floods in July 1924 is given in the statement placed on the Table. The nature and extent of help rendered by Government is noted below :—

Nature of relief	Amount sanctioned		
	Rs.	a.	p.
1. Gratuitous relief	22,000	0	0
2. Supply of seed paddy, etc., at cost price in the flood-affected areas	15,000	0	0

Nature of relief	Amount sanctioned
	Rs. a. p.
3. Supply of shed materials such as bamboos, *kaves*, etc., for re-building their houses, free to the poor and at cost price to others ...	10,000 0 0
4. Advances for the acquisition of sites for laying out new extensions and for forming new villages and also sinking wells therein at the cost of Government	1,33,700 0 0
5. Advances to Housebuilding Co-operative Societies formed in the affected towns with a view to facilitate the construction of houses in the extensions	1,25,000 0 0
6. Grant of Housebuilding advances to the officials whose houses were destroyed by the floods, to re-build their houses ...	10,000 0 0
7. Grant of remissions of assessment in the case of lands not cultivated or on which the yield was less than four annas	47,449 8 6 (Amount remitted)
8. Grant of Takavi and Land Improvement loans to persons who suffered from the floods at 3¼ per cent rate of interest—Amounts of Rs. 50 and below being free of interest ...	1,92,000 0 0

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. Suryanarayana Rao.—

Under item No. 7 in the statement given in the reply to the interpellation, a sum of Rs. 47,449 has been shown as remission of assessment. Is it possible to give a list of remissions so granted ?

Revenue Secretary.—

It is not possible to give the list here. It will be hung up in the notice boards of the taluk offices and Grama chavadies, if necessary.

Mr. Paramasiviah.—

Is it not possible to inform the raiyats who are given remissions by notices issued to them individually ?

Dewan.—

It is difficult to send notices to each and every one. Every raiyat can easily get the information from the local officials.

Mr. Paramasiviah.—

The villagers are generally illiterate and the proclamation in the Chavadi also will not help them. Unless separate notices are given, they cannot easily know the extent of relief granted to them.

Dewan.—

We will consult the Revenue Commissioner and see what can be done.

Mr. Hosakoppa Krishna Rao.—

With reference to item 6 in the answer that a sum of Rs. 10,000 has been distributed in the shape of house-building advances, will the Government furnish details of the amounts thus given ?

Dewan.—

The flood relief operations have not yet closed. When that is done, the acounts will be classified and duly audited and the whole thing reviewed in a Government Order as soon as possible. It is too early to give any information accurately at present as only last week some loans were granted. The member's attention is invited to the Government Order on flood relief measures from which he will understand what the Government have done till now and what they propose to do in the future.

Mr. S. Srikantiah.—

With reference to item 3 of statement appended to the answer, will Government furnish details as to how much of the supply of shed materials, etc., was free and how much at cost price ?

Dewan.—

It is not possible to give the details now.

Mr. Mallanna.—

With reference to item No. 5, *viz.*, advances to House-building Co-operative Societies in the affected towns, will the Government be pleased to state whether any advances were given to the Yedatore Town ?

Dewan.—

The removal of the Yedatore Town is under consideration and the scheme of advances does not include this town, but Yedatore Taluk is included.

MESSRS. K. RAMANNA, GIDDEGOWDA AND VENKATASHAMAIYA (Hole-Narsipur).—

Q.—**31.** Will the Government be pleased to state whether any survey has been made for extending the South Channel of the Sriramadevaru Dam, Hole-Narsipur Taluk; if so, how far has the survey been made; is there any information as to the extent that will be brought under wet cultivation and how many villages will be benefited thereby; have any mutchalikas been obtained from the raiyats regarding recovery of contribution; has any beginning been made for putting the work on hand ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, K. R. S. WORKS.—

A.—No surveys for the extension of the South Channel have been undertaken or will be undertaken for the following reasons :—

(1) The supplly in the river Hemavathi falls short of the requirements of existing irrigation in the months of October, November and December of bad years under the north and south channels of Sriramadevaru Dam and the Mandagere and the Hemagiri channels as extended. The river supplies for anicut irrigation have thus been fully exploited and there is therefore no water available in all bad years for further extensions.

(2) Even if water were available (which however it is not), according to the Agreement with Madras, no extensions are permissible under the existing channels except to the extent of $\frac{1}{3}$ of the atchakat as it existed in 1910 and even such extensions have to be undertaken not by drawing off more water from the river, but by improvement of duties, *i.e.*, by economising the present supplies and utilising any surplus saved in this manner for extensions.

Government have ordered (in G. O. 411-21—K. R.S. 2565-75, dated 13th May 1924) investigation of possible extensions by economising existing supplies. Any feasible extensions under such conditions will be considered when the result of investigations are before Government.

MESSRS. MARULASIDDAPPA AND RUDRAPPA (Arsikere).—

Q.—**32.** Will the Government be pleased to state :—

What is the number of foreign scholarships granted each year from 1910 to 1924 and for how many years in each case ?